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TO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE IMMEDIATE

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY THOMAS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, ABLD

SUBJECT: PROGRAM TO COMBAT TERRORISM

---- BELGRADE OM 3/30/78

1. RECOGNIZING THAT YOUR DEMEANOR ALWAYS HAS EXEMPLIFIED
GENEROSITY AND UNDERSTANDING I HOPE I CAN NOW ELICIT
PATIENCE AS ONE OF YOUR CORE SKILLS. I HAVE CHECKED INTO
YOUR REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING OF SECURITY MODIFICA-
TIONS AND FIND THAT CONTRARY TO YOUR BELIEF FBO HAS NOT
DISAPPROVED THE PROJECT. THEY ARE CURRENTLY REVIEWING AND
EVALUATING THE PROPOSAL FROM A FIRE SAFETY STANDPOINT AS
WELL AS SECURITY. THIS REVIEW WILL BE COMPLETED BY MID
WEEK AND THEY WILL TELEGRAPH THE RESULTS.

2. ON A WORLDWIDE THREAT ASSESSMENT BY SY, BELGRADE FALLS
INTO A LOW PRIORITY CATEGORY AND GIVEN THE LIMITED FUNDS
AVAILABLE FOR THE BALANCE OF THIS FISCAL YEAR IT SEEMS
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UNLIKELY THAT ANTI-TERRORISM FUNDS CAN BE ALLOTTED FOR THIS
PROJECT. I HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT YOUR REQUEST WAS WEIGHED
AGAINST ALL OTHERS PENDING AND GIVEN THE HIGH LEVEL OF
THREATS AND TERRORIST ACTIVITIES ELSEWHERE WE COULD NOT
JUSTIFY THE 23,000 FOR THE PROJECT. HOPEFULLY, WE CAN
ACCOMPLISH IT IN FIRST QUARTER OF FY 79 OR SOONER IF FUNDING
AVAILABLE. VANCE

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